

## PROCLAMATION **LEUKEMIA LYMPHOMA AND MYELOMA AWARENESS MONTH**SEPTEMBER 2003

**WHEREAS,** blood-related cancers currently afflict more than 670,000 Americans with an estimated 106,000 new cases diagnosed each year; and

**WHEREAS,** leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma will kill an estimated 58,300 people in the United States this year; and

**WHEREAS,** The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, through voluntary contributions, is dedicated to finding cures for these diseases through research efforts and the support for those that suffer from them; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of North Dakota are committed to the eradication of these diseases and support the treatment of those suffering from the diseases; and

**NOW THEREFORE,** as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I proclaim September 2003 as **Leukemia, Lymphoma and Myeloma Awareness Month** in the state of North Dakota.

/s/ John Hoeven Governor

Attest:

/s/ Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State